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LETTER DATED 14 SEPTEMBER 1995 FROM THE CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF YUGOSLAVIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter dated 12 September 1995 addressed to you transmitting the text of the Protest of the Alliance of the Veterans of the Serbian Liberation Wars of 1912-1920 and Their Descendants and the Alliance of the Associations of the Veterans of the People's Liberation War of Yugoslavia.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Dragomir DJOKIC
Ambassador
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

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Annex

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA

THE ALLIANCE OF THE ASSOCIATIONS OF VETERANS OF THE SERBIAN LIBERATION WARS OF 1912-1920 AND THEIR DESCENDANTS

FEDERAL BRANCH OF SUBNOR OF YUGOSLAVIA

Belgrade, 12 September 1995

We are taking the liberty of sending you, attached herewith, the Protest of the Alliance of Veterans of the 1941-1945 People's Liberation War of Yugoslavia (SUBNOR) and the Alliance of Veterans of the Serbian Liberation Wars of 1912-1920 and Their Descendants, adopted at their joint rally in the wake of the air and other attacks of NATO against the Republic of Srpska.

Confident that you will demonstrate understanding and readiness to acknowledge the facts presented herewith, we urge you to inform the President and other members of the Security Council of the positions advanced in our Protest.

President of the Alliance of Veterans
of the Serbian Liberation Wars of
1912-1920 and Their Descendants

Stojan Svetozarevic

President of the Federal Branch of
SUBNOR

Milosav Bojic

Appendix

PROTEST

of the SUBNOR of Yugoslavia and the Alliance of the Association of Veterans of the Serbian Liberation Wars of 1912-1920 to the United Nations Security Council and the European Union

Massive strikes of NATO formations against the vital facilities - installations including even hospitals, schools, refugee camps and children's institutions in the Republic of Srpska, exceed by far the mandate of the United Nations and the European Union, and have profoundly outraged the veterans of the People's Liberation War and the Serbian Liberation Wars, as well as the citizens of Yugoslavia. The concern and indignation have been additionally heightened since those merciless and unjustified attacks came at the very moment when the successful agreement in Geneva of the three parties to the conflict and the relevant international factors have shown that reason prevailed and that the existence of the Republic of Srpska has been officially acknowledged. The just struggle of the Serb people has thus been recognized as well as the huge contribution to the policy of peace pursued by the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and its negotiating team with Slobodan Milosevic at the helm.

It is inexplicable and hypocritical that the NATO aggression should come at a time when negotiations are in progress and when major steps are made along the road to the ultimate peaceful resolution, in the name of peace and the United Nations, which have been created with a goal of assisting and protecting the peoples who are endangered and not to give in to the militants implicated even in the war crimes. Obviously, the goal of this military intervention is to reduce the defence capabilities and weaken the negotiating position of the Republic of Srpska, while increasing the number of the destitute refugees and the exiled. The brutality and scope of destruction of the military intervention of the NATO forces is reminiscent of the worst crimes and massacres conducted by the Nazi and fascist aggressors that were condemned at the time by our Second World War allies. Such extensive use of force and variety of weapons in order to exterminate an innocent people who deliberately, for the sake of peace, do not offer any resistance, represents an unscrupulous act of cowardice. Therefore all true champions of peace and equality among peoples, nations and States reject with aversion the policy of violence, genocide and terror.

We protest in the strongest terms in the wake of NATO's outrageous atrocious intervention, which further undermines the already shaken credibility of the peaceful role of the United Nations and its bodies. On this occasion, we energetically demand that the senseless attacks against the Republic of Srpska be stopped and that the initiated peace process be immediately stepped up in order to arrive at a peaceful solution to this war drama.

THE ALLIANCE OF THE VETERANS OF THE SERB LIBERATION WARS OF 1912-1920 AND DESCENDANTS

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